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FINE OLD



CLAYMORE
SCOTCH WHISKY.
GREENLEES BROTHERS,
Glasgow & London.

SCOTCH WHISKY

SOLE AGENTS:

FLETCHER & Co.,

THE PHARMACY, HONGKONG.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
The Thirtieth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the above Company, will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1899, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th Feb. to the 1st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 249

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of February, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, January 24, 1899. 204

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 4th Feb. day, to the 18th day of February, 1899, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, January 24, 1899. 205

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO. LIMITED.

IN Accordance with this Company's ARTICLES of ASSOCIATION, Dividends at the Rate of 12 Per Cent per Annum is being CASHED on all UNPAID CALLS.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 184

THE HONGKONG COTTON-SPINNING WEAVING AND DYING CO. LIMITED.

FULLY PAID-UP SCRIP for SHARES in this Company can now be EXCHANGED for NEW CERTIFICATES at the Office of the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, February 6, 1899. 304

NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.,

OCCEIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. CO.,

TOYO KAISEN KAISHA.

THE OFFICES of the above COMPANIES have been THIS DAY REMOVED to the New Building on COMPASS ROAD, the Reclamation.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent,
Hongkong, February 6, 1899. 307

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 14, Clay's Central, on MONDAY, the 27th February, 1899, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the statement of accounts to the 31st December, 1898.

By order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. J. ROSE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, February 4, 1899. 290

W. POWELL & Co. BALL DRESS NETS.

Hongkong, January 12, 1899. 106

ALHAMBRA FACTORY, MANILA CIGARS.

THE DUC DE MONTEBELLO CHAMPAGNE.

HARVEY'S ROYAL TAWNY PORT.

W. HUTTON POTTS,
OFFICE: DAIRY FARM BUILDING, Below Glenelg.

DAKIN'S SINGLE SEIDLITZ.

A MOST AGREEABLE AND EFFECTIVE EFFERVESCING APERIENT.

PURE VOLATILE EUCALYPTUS OIL
SPECIALLY REFINED.

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Enriches the Blood, Strengthens the System, and imparts tone and energy to the Digestive Organs.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY


WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:-

FOR	STAMPEL	CAPTAIN	DATE
SHANGHAI	N. SAKI		
Kobe & YMA: Fuzhou	A. G. CURRIE, R.N.	About 15th February.	
LONDON	Socotra	T. H. HIDE, R.N.	About 16th February.
LONDON, &c.	Balaarat	C. L. W. FELIX	Noon, 18th February
N. SAKI, Kobe, & YOKOHAMA	Shibito	S. DE B. LOCKYER, R.N.	4 p.m., 18th February.
SHANGHAI	Parranalla	C. F. PRESTON, R.N.	About 18th February.

* See Special Advertisement. For Freight (only).

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, February 6, 1899. 300



H. PRICE & Co.,
WINE MERCHANTS,
12, Queen's Road.
SAMPLES AND PRICE-LISTS
ON APPLICATION.

HONGKONG HOTEL

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL, THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, Ltd.

HONGKONG HOTEL-PRAYA.

BELL'S ASBESTOS.

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ARE THE BEST.

BELL'S BOILER COMPOSITION

IS THE BEST.

BELL'S ENGINE OIL

IS THE BEST AND CHEAPEST IN THE MARKET.

KINGHORN & MACDONALD,
MANAGERS.

LANE CRAWFORD & Co.

CHAMPAGNE—ROUSSILLON & CIE, as supplied to the Admirals of the China, East Indies, and Mediterranean Squadrons, also the principal Military Messes at home and abroad.

CHAMPAGNE—AYALA, a Pure Dry High-class Wine, supplied to the best London Clubs and Hotels.

SAUMUR CHAMPAGNE—'DRY ROYAL,' a Pure Dry Sparkling Wine, equal to some of the best Champagne, at half the Cost.

SHERRIES—SACCONE'S. These Wines have a splendid reputation in England, and are guaranteed absolutely pure—med—dry, dry, and extra dry.

PORT—J. C. & Co.'s noted 'RED SEAL.' The sale of this is increasing daily. It is a 'Pure Fruity Old Wine,' and well suited for Invalids.

SEND FOR REVISED WINE AND SPIRIT LIST. 2503

CHALLEN'S PIANOS

ESTABLISHED, 1804. MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

\$250 to \$600. Lane, Crawford & Co. 1854

EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST LIQUEUR WHISKY.

THE MOST POPULAR BRAND ON THE MARKET.

PER 1 DOZEN BOTTLES ... \$14.00.

Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants. 288

PEAK HOTEL

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THE PEAK HOTEL is situated at VICTORIA GAP, adjoining the TRAMWAY STATION, 1360 feet above Sea Level.

CRAIGIEBURN is situated at PLECKETT'S GAP, five minutes' walk from the PEAK HOTEL.

Fine Healthy Location—Variety of Beautiful Scenery, Cool Southerly Breezes in Summer, with perfect protection against the North-East Winds in Winter.

Well appointed Rooms, attentive Service, and excellent Cuisine.

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ASK FOR FERGUSON'S P. & O.

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FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM

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These are the finest productions of Scotland; devoid absolutely of all deleterious matter.

THE CREME DE LA CREME OF WHISKIES.

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Sole Importers, **F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,**

COTTAM & Co.

Ex. S. S. MANILA.

ANOTHER SHIPMENT OF OUR CELEBRATED STRAW BOATING HATS.

DRAB AND BLACK FELT HATS (FASHIONABLE SHAPES).

NOVELTIES, IN SCARVES, BOWS, ETC., ETC.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

OWING to the large and continued increase of Subscribers to the CHINA MAIL, We are compelled to go to Press earlier.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 1 and 4, should be sent here not later than 10 a.m. New Advertisements should be sent before 4 p.m.

B. B. & REID,
Hongkong, October 1, 1898. 2264

THE HONGKONG DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the above Society will be held at the Hongkong Club, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th Feb. at 8 p.m.

Devonians wishing to Join the Society are requested to apply to the Undersigned.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, February 8, 1899. 277

THREE SPECIALITIES

WORTH CONSIDERING.

SCHLITZ BEER.

COUGH LINCTUS.

CHAMPAGNE BITTERS.

WATKINS & Co., AGENTS.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO. LIMITED.

FIRE-CLAY WORKS, DEEP WATER BAY, HONGKONG.

CEMENT FACTORY, GREEN ISLAND, MACAO.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

GLAZED STONEWARE DRAIN PIPES AND FITTINGS, GLAZED PAVING.

BRICKS AND TILES, FIRE BRICKS AND FIRE CLAY.

&c., &c.

For Prices and further particulars, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 10th and 11th Instant respectively.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,'
T. R. SANSON,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,'
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For 'The National Bank of China, Limited,'
GEO. W. F. PLATT,
Chief Manager.

For 'The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,'
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Banque de l'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency,'
F. AUGUSTIN,
Manager.

For the 'Bank of China and Japan, Ltd., Hongkong,'
CHARLES INCHBALD,
Manager.

For the 'Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., Hongkong,'
S. OHOH,
Agent.

For the 'Imperial Bank of China,'
E. W. BUTTER,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 4, 1899. 282

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 10th and 11th Instant respectively.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

W. J. SAUNDERS,
Acting Secretary,
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent,
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents,
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.

G. I. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary,
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

W. H. T. DAVIS,
Manager,
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, February 4, 1899. 284

NEW AMOY-DOCK CO. LTD.

WANTED, A QUALIFIED PERSON, to fill the position of MANAGER, to the above Company, acting from the 1st March, 1899. Apply by Letter, enclosing Copies of Testimonials, &c., to the GENERAL MANAGER, Amoy.

J. FARROW,
General Manager.
Amoy, January 19, 1899. 177

LIGHT YOUR LAMPS WITH 'SNOW FLAKE' KEROSENE OIL.

which gives a very Brilliant Light and does not emit had odour as other Brands of inferior Oil.

H. RUTONJEE,
13 and 15, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong, and
31 and 33, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, January 24, 1899. 184

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, on TUESDAY, the 14th Instant, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Governing Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st March to the 1st April, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Secretaries,
Hongkong, February 7, 1899. 285

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW
Phoning.

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Australian Ports.....	Australian (a).....	Alb. Livingston & Co.....	Feb. 19, at 4 p. m.
Bremen & Ports of Cal.....	Batavia (a).....	Norddeutscher Lloyd.....	May 1, at 9 a. m.
Havre, H'burg/B'ant.....	Bombay (a).....	Carlson & Co.....	At Feb. 19.
Havre, H'burg/B'ant.....	Bombay (a).....	Carlson & Co.....	About March 10.
Havre, H'burg/B'ant.....	Bombay (a).....	Carlson & Co.....	About March 20.
Havre, H'burg/B'ant.....	Bombay (a).....	Carlson & Co.....	About March 10.
Havre, H'burg/B'ant.....	Bombay (a).....	Carlson & Co.....	Feb. 18, at noon.
London & Ports of Cal.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 18, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal.....	Batavia (a).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	About Feb.
London.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 20, at Noon.
Manila.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 20, at noon.
Manila.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 10, at 9 a. m.
Manila.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 18, at 5 p. m.
Manila.....	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 18, at 4 p. m.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 8, at 4 p. m.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	About end of Feb.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	About Feb. 25.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Quick despatch.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 25, at noon.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 16, at noon.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	M. 9, at 2 p. m.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	About Feb. 18.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 19, at 4 p. m.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	About Feb. 13.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 19, daylight.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 11, at noon.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 14, at noon.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	About Feb. 2.
N. Y. M. K. B. & Y. M. N.	Batavia (a).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	Feb. 14, afternoon.

and the publication of this false communi-
cation.

of new regiments in Africa and elsewhere, that nearly 100 new commissions will be gazetted shortly.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underligned has received instructions to sell by **PUBLIC AUCTION** at **BURTON, PLANTATION ROAD, THE PEARL**, the Residence of **Mr. H. F. MEYERINK**, on

WEDNESDAY,

15th February, 1899, Commencing at 2.30 p.m.,

THE WHOLE OF THE FINE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

All Nearly New
Comprising:—

VERY FINE TEAK-CARVED BEDROOM ROOM FURNITURE LEATHER COVERED, and BOOKCASES and WRITING DESK TO MATCH, CHAIRS, CARPETS, STAIR-CARPETS, SINGAPORE, VELVETIN, MARBLED TOP VERANDA CHAIRS, CHAIRS, ENIG CHAIRS, HALL TABLES, INDOOR BEDSTEADS, with SPRING MATTRESSES, BATHROOMS, WARDROBES, FINE PICTURES and BRONZES, GLASSWARE, CUT-GLASS, and CHOCOLERY, ETC., ETC., ETC.

A LOT of NEW TABLE LINENS, UNSTAINED.

SEVERAL FINE MARBLE and HALL COCKETS.

On View from SUNDAY, the 12th Feb.

Per *Haidan*, from Coast Ports, Miss Duncan, Messrs Evans, Puttoraffy, E. & G. S. Okada, Louis, Tamooa, Administration, Mr. A. M. M. and servant, Kurooka, Mr. Kurooka and servant, Kurooka, and 90 Chinese.

Per *Sitang*, from Calcutta, &c., Mr. Gardner Hill, Mrs. Crockett, Mrs. Pitham, Mr. Baskerville Mason, and 129 Chinese.

Per *Asipung*, from Shanghai, Mr. Whaloe, Capt. Greyson, Mrs. Penitance and Mrs. Lee Crockett and child, Mrs. and M. Aquino, Miss Kurokawa and child, and Chinese.

Per *Kanibary*, from Manila, 7 Europeans.

Per *Mongkut*, from Saigon, 12 Chinese.

DEPARTURE.

Per *Hongkong Maru*, for—Shanghai, Messrs B. F. Hottelshagen and Ichibary, L. J. Magill, S. W. Pratt, Y. Honda, S. Konaga, T. Nakajima and 9 Chinese; Kube, Messrs A. J. de Souza, K. Ono and servant, T. Tokoda and servant, Asakura and servant, and 18 Chinese; Yokohama, M. M. B. and 1 Chinese; for San Francisco, Mr. E. B. Strauss, Mr. Z. A. Braun, Messrs M. Paul Wenz, Mrs. P. Sargent, Rev. Mrs. and Misses O'Connell, Master Charles Higgins, Miss E. E. Montague, and Mr. K. J. Gorey, for New York.

Club.
Transfer Books of Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. closed from this date to 1st March, both days inclusive.

THURSDAY, February 16:—
9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

FRIDAY, February 17:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central.

SATURDAY, February 18:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. S. Bank at the City H. S. Bank.
Noon.—Meeting of the supply of labor for Coaling H.M. Ships and vessels for landing and stowing Coals the Admiralty Stores and Godowns received by Commodore at H.M. Navy Yard.

MONDAY, February 20:—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godown Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office, No. 4, Praya Central.

TUESDAY, February 21:—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of Company.

Wednesday, the 8th Feb.
The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Caledonia*, with the
next FREEMAN MAIL, of January 13th
1883, from Hongkong, will leave Tuesday
the 7th Feb., at 5 p.m.; and may be
expected here on or about Tuesday
the 14th Feb. This Packet brings re-
plies to letters despatched from
Hongkong on 3rd Dec., 1882.
The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Left Vancouver*
on 1st Feb., for Hongkong and
root, and is expected to arrive here
25th Feb.
The T. K. K. s.s. *Nippon Maru*, of
Malla de, left San Francisco for the
part via Honolulu, Yokohama, and
Shanghai, Nagasaki and Shanghai
on the 9th Jan.
The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan*
left Vancouver for Hongkong,
usual ports of call, on Tuesday after-
noon the 13th January.
The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Empire*, which is
ence Jan. 5th, from San Francisco
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In-
sao, Yokohama and Honolulu, ar-
rives at her destination on the 1st Feb.
The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Actaeon*, with
passengers, which left Hongkong 11
5th Jan., will leave San Francisco via
Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu,

ralled with the Chinese promotor about
payment, and assaulted the shopman and
his assistant. One of the sailors drew
knife and stabbed the assistant in the arm.
They also broke crockery to the value
about \$5. An Indian constable, who was
attracted to the shop by the disturbance,
endeavoured to arrest the man, which he
ultimately accomplished with the assis-
tance of P. O. Cornick. At the Magistrate's
court, one of the men was fined \$25 and
ordered to pay \$10 compensation, with the
option of six weeks' imprisonment, and
sentencing the other men to one month
imprisonment with hard labour, and to pay
\$10 compensation, or suffer six weeks' im-
prisonment. Commander Hastings said
conduct was disgraceful and unbecom-
ing for white men wearing the uniform of a
British Power.

FRIDAY, 10th & SATURDAY, 11th
MATINEES at 4 P.M.

MONDAY, 12th February, 1899.
FIRST GRAND CHANGE OF PROGRAMME!
'BLUE BEARD.'
PRICES AS USUAL.
Hongkong, February 8, 1899.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY
LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.

THE COMPANY'S Steamship
WOOSUNG,
Captain Dawson, will be despatched
above TO-MORROW, the 8th Instant, at
p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
Agents.
Hongkong, February 8, 1899.

PAUL BREWITT,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 8, 1899. 333

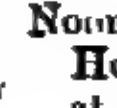
FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
LYEEMOON,
Captain G. HEUERMAN, will be despatched
for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th
Instant, at 4 p.m.
This steamer has superior Accommodation
for First and Second-class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, February 8, 1899. 338

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

The British steamer *Hollan* reports
Froches to Amoy, moderate to strong
N.Ely breeze, moderate seas, fine and clear.
Amoy to Swatow, moderate N.Ely
N.N.Ely breeze, moderate seas, fine
clear. Swatow to Chinglung, moderate N.Ely
breeze and seas, fine and clear; and
Nly breeze from Chinglung to port. Steamer
Amoy; *Pakong* and *Woonan*. Steamer
in Swatow; *Tzuinan*, *Tientsin*, and *Tolsan*.
The British steamer *Siriang* reports
Foggy moonsoon and high seas, fine and clear.
The Chinese steamer *Amoy* reports
Had fine weather throughout.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.
MAILS will close—
For BANGKOK.—
Per *Onna*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday,
9th February.
For MANILA.—

at the Company's Offices, No. 14 Pr
Central.
WEDNESDAY, March 1 :—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. L
at the Company's Offices, Pedd
Street.



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Shamoon Expected.
The O. S. S. Co.'s str. *Manakia*, from Swatow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of 3rd Feb, and is expected here on or about the 9th day, the 9th Feb.
The Austrian Lloyd's str. *Gisela* left for this port on the 5th Feb.
The s.s. *Koi-nur*, from Calcutta, Singapore for this port on the 6th Feb.

few days ago, that he was suffering from this disease, but no one dreamt that he was in a critical state. Mr Darby was president in Hongkong for many years and he was one of the best liked men in the colony. His death is a great loss. We have been looking forward to his return to Hongkong, where his keen interest in sports generally had made him an universal favourite. At cricket he was one of the best of all-round men the Colony has seen, and (what was perhaps more important) he was the most conscientious player, and showed an example to younger men in always being on time and ready for any emergency. He requests he held his own with the best players, despite an old injury to his right leg, which prevented him from

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
SUISANG,
Captain PAYNE, will be despatched as
above on **SATURDAY,** the 11th instant, at 5 p.m.

the 10th oda-	<p>Hongkong, February 8, 1899. 328</p> <p>INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.</p> <p>FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.</p> <p>THE Steamship Suluang having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her, are hereby informed that their Goods are being loaded at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWNS COMPANY, LIMITED, at KOWLOON, whence delivery may be obtained.</p> <p>Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th instant, will be subject to rent and No Ties Insurance will be effected.</p> <p>Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.</p> <p>Hongkong, February 8, 1899. 327</p>	<p>POST OFFICE NOTICES.</p> <p>MAILS will close—</p> <p>For BANGKOK. Per <i>Amoy</i>, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, 9th February.</p> <p>For MANILA. Per <i>Sangkang</i>, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, 9th February. Per <i>Knieberg</i>, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, 9th February. Per <i>Taipei</i>, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, 8th February. Per <i>Chinghai</i>, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, 10th February.</p> <p>For SHANGHAI. Per <i>See-pi</i>, at 1 p.m., on Thursday, 8th February.</p> <p>For HONGKAI. Per <i>Kienman</i>, at 4 p.m., on Thursday, 9th February.</p> <p>For SAIGON. Per <i>Chittagong</i>, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, 9th February.</p> <p>For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA. Per <i>Singapore</i>, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, 11th February.</p> <p>For MOI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, TORII & YACOMA. Per <i>Victoria</i>, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, 12th February.</p>
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be expected here on or about Thursday, the 8th Feb.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. *Gisela* left Singapore for this port on the 5th Feb.

The s.s. *Koi-nan*, from Calcutta, Singapore for this port on the morning of 8th Feb.

The P. & O. s.s. *Malaya* left Singapore on the 5th Feb., and was considered due here on or about 11th Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Fukumi-Maru* left Singapore for this port on the 5th Feb., and is expected to arrive here on 11th Feb.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Formosa* left Singapore for this port on the 6th Feb. at noon.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. *Trieste* left Singapore for this port on the morning of 7th Feb.

The C. O. s.s. Co.'s steamer *Ben King* left San Diego on Thursday, 1st Feb., for Hongkong, via Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai.

The H. A. L. steamer *Lucia* left Hongkong for Hongkong, via port of call on the 30th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 14th or 15th of the ensuing month.

The N. G. L. s.s. *Bermida* left Singapore for this port on Saturday, 2nd Feb., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 10th or 11th of the month.

most conscientious player, and another example to younger men in always being time and ready for any emergency. He requested he held his own with the players, despite an old injury to his knee which prevented him from going so much as he would have liked. In other sports in the Colony he assisted more than people know, and his advice and straightforward advice and help were long remembered by his brother sportsmen here. His death will be mourned by all the older members and supporters of the Amateur Dramatic Club; he was a clever comedian, and his clever impersonation of the Irish policeman will be remembered as an excellent feature in a number of our A. D. C. performances. Mr. Dwyer was a Past Master of the Victoria Lodge of Freemasons, and his hospitality and generosity had a great deal to do with the success of that Lodge during his connection with the craft in Hongkong. A large circle of friends all over the Colony and Coast, in Hongkong, and in Shanghai

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM
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may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th instant, will be subject to rent.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

February 8.

Italica, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Ranch, Foochow February 5, Amoy 6, and Swatow 7, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Suisong, British steamer, 1,776, Geo. Fraser & Co., Jan. 18, Penang 25, and Singapore 20, General and Opium.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Asping, Chinese str., 1,158, J. W. Y. Stewart, Shanghai Feb. 5, General.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Katiberry, German str., 646, A. Hansen, Manila Feb. 3, Hump.—JENSEN & Co.

Hamo, French steamer, 742, R. Monard, Haiphong and Hoihow Feb. 7, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Mongkut, British steamer, 850, A. S. Calder, Saigon Feb. 2, Rico.—WO FAR.

Pronto, German steamer, 720, H. Meyer, Tournon Feb. 5, General.—SIESSENS & Co.

Wosong, British str., 1,127, R. Johns,

Per: *Esa* g., at 1 p.m., on Thursday the 9th February.

For HONGKAY, —
For Kankanan, at 4 p.m., on Thursday the 9th February.

For SAIGON. —
For *Chaitangay*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday the 9th February.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & C. CUPPA. —
For *Suisong*, at 10 a.m., on Saturday the 11th February.

For MOI, KOH, YOKOHAMA, YOKA & YACOMA. —
For *Victoria*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday the 14th February.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Laos* was despatched on SATURDAY, the 5th February, with Mails to the Kingdom of Europe, and places beyond *la Mer du Japon*, to Saigon, Straits Elements, Batavia, Barmah, Co. Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, India, and the Gibraltar.

Circulars at 9 a.m.

Registration at 9.30 a.m.

Papers at 9.30 a.m.

Letters at 10.30 a.m.

Late Letters at 11.30 to 11 a.m.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC

Per doz

A.—THORNES BLEND, White
Capsule \$

B.—WATSON'S GLENORCHY
MELLOW BLEND, Blue
Capsule, with Name and
Trade Mark... ..
C.—WATSON'S ABERLOUR-
GLENLIVET, Red Cap-
sule, with name and Trade
Mark
D.—WATSON'S H.E.D., BLEND
OF THE FINEST SCOTCH
MALT WHISKIES, Vio-
lot Capsule... ..
E.—WATSON'S VERY OLD

	gapore for this port on the 4th a at noon.
	The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. <i>Trieste</i> , Singapore for this port on the 5th noon of 7th Feb.
10.80	The C. O. s. s. Co.'s steamer <i>Ber-</i> <i>King</i> left San Diego on Thursday Feb., for Hongkong, via Yokoh- Kobe and Shanghai.
	The H. A. I. steamer <i>Sueria</i> left Hongkong for this port on the 10th call on the 30th Dec., and may be pected here on or about the 14th bruary next.
10.80	The N. G. I. s. s. <i>Bormida</i> left Bos- ton for this port on Saturday, the Jan., and is due here on or about the 13th Feb.
	The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. <i>Shanghai</i> Bombay for this port on the morn- ing of the 31st January.
	<i>Latest Advice.</i>
12.00	The N. P. Co.'s s. s. <i>Lanzer</i> sailed Portland, Or., for Japan and I- kono on the 4th Feb.
	The E. & A. Co.'s s. s. <i>Airtie</i> , from May, left Port Darwin on the 7th for Timor and this port.
	The C. M. Co.'s s. s. <i>Mygione</i> , from gow and Liverpool, etc., left Sim- for this port on the 7th Feb., and be expected here on or about the Feb.
14.40	The N. F. Co.'s s. s. <i>Teosma</i> has a at Yokohama and sailed for Koa- be on the 8th Feb.

the Amateur Dramatic Club; he was a clever comedian, and his clever impersonation of the Irish policeman will be remembered as an excellent feature in one of our A. D. C. performances. Mr. Duff was a Past Master of the Victoria Lodge of Freemasons, and his hospitality and generosity had a great deal to do with the success of that Lodge during his connection with the craft in Hongkong. A large circle of friends all over the Continent, in Hongkong, and in Shanghai, will be sincerely sorry that S. L. Duff has gone to his rest.

YESELS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon, H. I. G. M. S. Kaiser, Beechda's, H. I. G. Kaiserin Augusta. Athenian, Isala de Isla de Luzon, Monmouth, St. K. H. H. I. G. M. S. Prinzess Wilhelm. Cosmopolites.—Don Juan de Austria, Delphine, China, Peking Nang Aberdeen. (None.)

BRIDEWELL & ALLISON PIANOS. the very valuable.—Robinson Piano Co.

The officer of the Public Works department is on a great ride in his poultry yard.

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ed crew are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by
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Hongkong, February 8, 1899.

DEPARTURES.

February 8.

Hongkong Maru, for San Francisco.
Melacca, for Singapore and London.
Guthrie, for Port Darwin and Sydney.
Abner Auburn, for Manila.
Katsuyama Maru, for Saigon.
Dean, for Singapore.
Anjin, for Saigon.
Subine Rickmers, for Swatow.
Hailan, for Pakhoi.
Quarta, for Saigon.
Bentley, for Koh-i-Jang.
Bread Mayne, for Palak Papar.
Remolux, for Nagasaki.
Peiching, for Shanghai.
Anping, for Canton.
Charterhouse, for Swatow.
Taiji, for Pochoh.
Lobang, for Saigon.
Onang, for Singapore.

CLEARED.

Mari Jebsen, for Saigon.
Michael, for Bangkok.
Admiral, for Shanghai.
Arishu Maru, for Kutchimotzu.
S. D. Carleton, for Kahului.
St. Charles, for Saigon.
Oam, for Bangkok.
Ginamaru, for Shanghai.

WEDNESDAY, the 11th Feb. With
for Shanghai, Japan, United
Canadian, &c., which will be ch
follows:—

10.30 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but
pondensed may be posted on bo
Packet, with the Late Fee of 1
extra *Postage*, until the time of
two.
(Supplementary Mail on board up
time fixed for departure of the

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day's m	to-day's m
Barometer	30.21	30.23
Temperature	62	65
Humidity	53	29
Direction of	E	E
Wind	3	2
Force	3	2
Weather	b	b
Rain	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 7th.
Lowest open air temperature on the 7th.

F. G. Page, First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 8.

WHISKY, Gold Capsule...

THORN'S BLEND and **WATSON'S BLEND** are high class Scotch Whiskies, of greater age than most brands in the Market.

ABERLOVE-GLENLIVET is a very Pure Whisky, (smoky) and could not be replaced in stock at the price.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY

15 00 SON'S Whis- ands in ery old it now ur. ounced the beat AIRS. BARY 987	<p>Street was sentenced to one month's confinement at the Magistracy to-day, be- bezzling two sums of \$6.89 and \$5.</p> <p>Three flags at Government House have masted to-day as a mark of respect for late Prince Alfred of Coburg, whose is announced by Roulet. Prince Alexander William Ernest Albert, the only son of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg grandson of the Queen. He was born 16th October, 1874.</p> <p>THE Post Office will be entirely closed Friday, the 10th inst. (Chinese New Day) and on Saturday, the 11th in- cept from 7 to 11 a.m. The mail li- ccept will be closed at 10.30 a.m. letters from 10.40 to 11 a.m. The box will be left open on both days. Money Order Office will be entirely on both days.</p>
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the fancy. Indeed, his pride was so arrogant that that ride for a fall, came during the holidays. Owing to he went forth this usual calling of chase he did not go down full answer invitation. Other fanciers had called him right, such as a Hibernian neighborly "Burrhead the roscott." Not altogether lone hen was still hatching her eggs in corner, and nit a confounded one, which it will be luck for the club about Easter.

'T IS REMARKABLE.

CASEY MR. W. WILSON. THIS

IN JAMES Chamberlain at Remedy. Henry How Chamberlain's Remedy has obtained a prominent position in the medical profession, and its use has become almost universal. For many months it has taken the place of most remedies made by any man who have used this remedy. I am convinced that it possesses exceptional qualities never hitherto recognized. It is now in front of our eyes, and we are all acquainted with its merits.

JAMES CHAMBERLAIN'S REMEDY FOR COUGHS, COLIC, BRUISES, &c., &c.

RUSSIAN TELEGRAMS.

(Supplied to the "China Mail.")

THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

The Committee of the Chamber has rejected the Dreyfus Bill on the ground that M. Dreyfus's report was not convincing.

TEN YEARS TREATY RATIFIED.

The Washington Senate has ratified the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain by a majority of three.

CLERICAL.

Rev. Mr. Fox, a Missionary at Kobe, has been consecrated Bishop of Osaka.

OBITUARY.

The deaths are announced of Count Caprivi and Prince Alfred of Coburg.

THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has been elected leader of the Liberal Party.

[The Rt. Hon. Henry Campbell-Bannerman, M.P., is the second son of the late Sir James Campbell, of Glasgow, West-Edinburgh, by Janet, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Henry Bannerman, of Manchester, and was born in 1836. He was educated at the University of Glasgow, and at Trinity College, Cambridge (B.A., 1858; M.A., 1861). In 1872 he assumed the additional surname of Bannerman, under the will of his uncle, Mr. Henry Bannerman, of Hutton, County Kent. Mr. Campbell-Bannerman, who is a magistrate for the counties of Lincoln and Kent, has represented the Birmmham district of boroughs in the Liberal interest since Dec. 1874. He was Financial Secretary at the War Office from 1874 to 1879, and was again appointed to that office in 1880; and in May, 1882, was nominated Secretary to the Admiralty. He was Chief Secretary for Ireland, 1884-5, and in Mr. Gladstone's third Cabinet, 1886, held the office of Secretary of State for War, and was again appointed to the same office in Mr. Gladstone's Ministry, 1889. He retired, in 1893, to his residence, the late Major-General Sir Charles Bruce, K.C.B.]

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 5th at 11.0 a.m. The barometer has fallen on the China coast. Pressure remains low in the extreme North, and highest over Central China. Graduals slight on the coast, moderate with fresh breeze in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast: light or moderate N.E. to N. winds & fine.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Hon. Sir John W. Carrington, Chief Justice, and a Special Jury.)

Tuesday, February 7.

JUDGMENT IN THE "BEACONSFIELD" SUIT.

The hearing was concluded of the case, in which His Hon. J. W. Carrington, Chief Justice, presided. The case was heard by a Special Jury, consisting of Messrs. J. J. Francis, Q.C., (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinsons and Grist) appeared for the defendant.

The following composed the special jury:—Messrs. H. M. Maht, J. S. Van Buren, Walter Poole, W. R. Loxley, W. Hutton Potts, and G. A. Tomes.

After the address by counsel, His Lordship retired up at some length, concluding at 6.15 p.m., when the jury retired. They returned at 6.35 p.m. and gave their verdict by 4 to 3, in the answer to the following issues:—

1. (a) Did the defendant, either expressly or impliedly, authorize the Public Works Department to enter into any contract in his name on his behalf with the plaintiff or with any other person to execute repairs and alterations to "Beaconsfield"?—No.

(b) Did the defendant only authorize the Public Works Department, by themselves, their servants or agents, to execute repairs and alterations to "Beaconsfield"?—Yes.

2. Was the said William Chatham the authorized agent of the defendant to issue certificates?—No.

3. Is the defendant estopped by his payment to the plaintiff of \$6,500 on a certificate issued by the said William Chatham from denying it?

(a) That the plaintiff was employed in his name on his behalf.

(b) That the said William Chatham was entitled to give certificates in favour of the plaintiff so as to bind the defendant, or

(c) That the authority given to the Public Works Department was exceeded.

"No" on each head.

This being practically a verdict for the defendant, Mr. Francis asked that judgment be entered for defendant with costs.

Mr. Pollock asked that under the special circumstances of the case no costs be allowed.

Judgment for defendant with costs.

The jury were excused from service of a year.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Hon. Sir John W. Carrington, Chief Justice.)

Wednesday, February 8.

CHENG YAU-TO AND OTHERS v. CHOY CHAN.

The hearing was resumed of this suit brought by Cheng Yau-To and others, co-defendants and executrix of Cheng Kai, deceased, for an injunction to restrain Choy Chan, of 65 Poyong Central, from committing a breach of certain covenants with reference to certain buildings.

Mr. J. J. Francis (instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennis) appeared for the plaintiff; Messrs. Wilkinsons and Grist appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Slade said he proposed shortly to state the facts he proposed to prove and to argue such questions of law which might arise. In the first place, he wanted to show that these houses were practically back-to-back houses, with only about a space of four feet between them.

The only portion of this space between the houses was a narrow strip of about ten inches. It was with reference to buildings erected on this narrow strip that the Lordship was asked to interfere. The plaintiff had no grounds of complaint whatever against the height of the buildings. He would call Mr. Lee to prove that he had inspected the premises, and from counsel's demonstration he would see that the buildings were not erected on the narrow strip.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

CORPS.

DANCE IN THE CITY HALL.

It is one of the peculiarities of the Anglo-Batman race that when it is happy with itself and wishes to find vent for its happiness it either dances, dines, or drinks. Having established a reputation for abstemiousness, and having insisted on having only a qualified measure of success, the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, of recent years, gives evidence of its vitality by dancing. The Volunteer Dance is now one of the recognized features of the social season in Hongkong, and it is always a successful as last night's effort we believe we are expressing the prevailing sentiment when we say that we hope the Volunteer Dance will remain for very many years on the long list of social events.

Last night's assemblage was one of the most brilliant we have seen in Hongkong. It was as brilliant as pretty women, sparkling jewels, pretty dresses and gay uniforms could make it. The regrettable death of the young English Prince, who was the guest of honor, has not prevented the assemblage of the general presence of His Excellency, Sir Henry Blake and Lady Blake, and Prince Henry of Prussia and Princess Henry, who were to have accompanied the Government House party, were also prevented from attending by the same sad occurrence. We believe that out of respect for the deceased prince, the German Admiral signalled to the German warships in Harbour that the officers were not to attend the ball, and the presence of so many honest Teutons was therefore denied to the Volunteer hosts. Notwithstanding these abatements, however, the attendance was exceptionally large, emphasizing once more the inadequacy of the City Hall suite of rooms and halls for the social functions of its Colony. In future, either the City Hall accommodation must be increased or the invitations must be judiciously curtailed. Among those present last night were Major Sir John Carrington, R.C.M.G., the principal host of the evening as the popular Commandant of the H.K.V.C.; Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Seymour, Major-General Gascoigne, and all the leaders of light and fashion in the Colony, including most of the officers of the Garrison and many of the officers from the warships in Harbour. Inside the dancing halls—St. Andrew's and St. George's—the scene was one of brilliant splendor, a glittering spectacle of scarlet and blue and gold, with here and there a smudge of khaki yellow to tinge down the picture. The rooms were inconveniently crowded with dancers, and it was rare to appear to be on the increase. In this a proof that athletics is on the increase? For to steer one's way through the maze of waltz at a Hongkong dance is now a work of exceeding difficulty, sometimes requiring a display of great muscularity. The music of the new Regimental Band was excellent, erring on the side of speed and reminding us of the "ump" of the Rifle Brigade Band. One of the features of the programme was "The Bluegrass Waltz," composed by Mrs. Davidson, the accomplished wife of Commander Davidson, R.N., H.M.S. *Humber*. This was the first time the waltz has been performed in public, and the first time played by any band; it has a charming rhythm, and was played to the best advantage; and those who were in the secret were unanimous in their praise of Mrs. Davidson's composition. Dancing was kept up with vigour from 9 p.m. till 1.30 a.m., with a short interval for supper, which was served in the Theatre.

The following is a list of the Stewards by whom the arrangements for the dance were perfected:—

Major Sir J. W. Carrington, Knt., C.M.G.; Captains L. A. Gordon, R.A., Chapman, E. D. Sanders; Surgeon-Capt. J. A. Lowson; Lieut. D. Macdonald, G. C. Fullerton, M. W. Slade; Surgeon-Lieut. F. W. Widdow, By-Sergeant-Major G. L. Duncan; By-Sergeant-Major F. J. Bodeley; By-Sergeant-Major J. Coyle; Sergeant-Drummer A. Brown; Sergeant-Major M. McPhill, J. H. Armstrong, A. H. Skelton, J. H. Underwood; Corporal M. S. Northcote; Bombardier A. P. Nobles; W. Hart; Gunners W. M. Thompson, O. E. Birt, R. Head, A. Uphill, O. D. Thompson.

The decorations were simple but effective. It appears that our ball decorators have finally abandoned the rococo redundance of past years and emancipated themselves from the displays of busting, which, for some reason difficult to understand, was at one time considered the acme of decorative art for ball-room, regatta or cattle show. Last night's decorations did not suffer from their simplicity. In St. George's Hall, a transparency bearing the crest of the Corps, with the proud motto "Nulli Secundus in Oriente," was shown above the large central mirror at the head of the room, and similar devices were displayed throughout the other rooms. The principal transparency was flanked by the interlaced British and German Royal Standards, and in St. Andrew's Hall the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes of the United States were brought into similar juxtaposition—both pleasing and delicate reminders of the bonds of union between the nations and pointing to a strengthening of these bonds in the not far distant future. In the ante-room, were displayed excellent portraits of the present Commandant of the Corps, and of Colonel Jorrand and Major Pennington, both of whom took a prominent part in the composition of the Corps. For associations there were the usual decorations.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager.
Hongkong, May 25, 1898.

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J. THURBURN, Manager.
Hongkong, December 1, 1897.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1898.

GENTLEMEN DOCKERS.

A casual statement made at an inquest on a dock worker recently at the London Hospital (see the London Daily Telegraph) served to draw momentary attention to the romance of human vicissitudes which often lies concealed in the obscure corners of the inquest room. The subject of the coroner's inquiry was a man in the dock, who had been found by the jury that he was at one time the captain of a Cunard liner. To this one of the dock officials added: "They all come to us at last—parsons, doctors, and lawyers." Speaking roughly, this view of the ultimate fate of the unsuccessful in the various professions in London is more or less correct, but there are undoubtedly other humble pursuits to which these unhappy beings who are wrecked in the voyage of life eventually drift. According to one gentleman whose name is familiar in its association with the London docks, the "huskies" of the metropolis include an elderly man who 40 years ago owned an estate and was M.F.H. in a large county; three military officers and one naval captain, and a still larger number who have been admitted solicitors and afterwards struck off the rolls. These and other instances which could be multiplied, indicate that the London dockers enjoy no more immunity from the vicissitudes of life than the unsuccessful in any other profession. At the same time it is an indisputable fact that a larger number drift towards the great centres of unskilled labour in the East, and then in any other direction. Valuable as the records of the London docks are, they are not a complete record of the statistical studies of dockland, the records receive additional features of interest if dock labourers, in applying for work, give an indication of their previous occupations, so that their experiences might be equalled in those valleys. Although the records of the London docks are not a complete record of the statistical studies of dockland, the records receive additional features of interest if dock labourers, in applying for work, give an indication of their previous occupations, so that their experiences might be equalled in those valleys. Although the records of the London docks are not a complete record of the statistical studies of dockland, the records receive additional features of interest if dock labourers, in applying for work, give an indication of their previous occupations, so that their experiences might be equalled in those valleys.

HOW THE SERGEANT-MAJOR PUT IT.

The following anecdote, which, by the way, has the additional merit of being a true one, may prove of interest as an illustration of what a sergeant-major can do by a little tact. A certain distinguished corps was once ordered to undergo the annual course of musketry. The colonel received a letter from Mrs. Colonel expressing her intention of coming to lunch on the following Sunday, accompanied by the Misses Colonel. The worthy C.O., feeling that the delicate ears of his wife and daughters might be shocked at some of the coarse expressions of joy, grief, or surprise, sent for his sergeant-major and said to him: "Mrs. Jones and my daughters have written to say that they are driving over to lunch next Sunday, and the weather is good. I should like to take them round to see the corps, but as you know that the men are sometimes in the habit of using expressions which I should not wish ladies to hear, I should like you to caution them to refrain from those expressions while the ladies are in camp." The worthy sergeant-major, who is a prudent and careful officer, and who has a high opinion of his own tact, proceeded to fall in the company orderly-sergeants, and, after much preliminary "dressing and" "eyes-fronting," he made them take down the following instructions:—"The C.O. orders that the men will refrain from the use of the words 'bloody', 'damned', 'damned', 'damned', and 'damned' on Sunday next, if the weather holds good. Right turn! Dismissed!" It is not recorded whether the weather held good, and the anticipated visit took place, but if so, doubtless all went well. The Globe and Evening.

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Name.	Rg.	Tons.	Guns.	L.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Albatross	despatch-vessel	1700	10	3000	Comdr. A. H. Smith-Dorrien	Hongkong
Archer	despatch-vessel	1050	6	1400	Comdr. E. J. W. Blais	Hongkong
Barbette	despatch-vessel	1050	14	13,000	Comdr. C. E. Kingmill	Singapore
Bonaventure	despatch-vessel	1050	14	13,000	Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B.	Nagasaki
Centurion	despatch-vessel	1050	14	13,000	Capt. R. A. J. Montgomerie, C.B.	Hongkong
Daphne	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. J. R. Jellicoe	Hongkong
Endymion	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Comdr. C. W. Wintington-Ingram	Hongkong
Fame	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Comdr. C. W. Wintington-Ingram	Hongkong
Firshard	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. H. A. Giller	Hongkong
Grafton	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Captain F. W. Fisher	Hongkong
Hamlyn	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Edward Kelly	Hongkong
Harrier	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Shakespere	Hongkong
Hermione	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. G. A. Callaghan	Hongkong
Imperial	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. H. J. Davies	Hongkong
Ipheigenia	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. H. N. Dudding	Hongkong
Lionet	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Com. Wm. W. Smythe	Hongkong
Narcissus	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Comdr. G. F. King-Hall	Hongkong
Peacock	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Com. P. St. John	Hongkong
Phoenix	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. N. P. Cochran	Hongkong
Plymouth	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. C. J. T. Dornier	Hongkong
Powerful	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Com. C. V. de M. Cooper	Hongkong
Rattler	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. Hon. H. Lambton	Hongkong
Rodolph	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Hongkong
Sandpiper	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Com. K. H. Grafton	Hongkong
Swift	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Comdr. Carr	Hongkong
Tamar	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Commodore S. C. Holland	Hongkong
Tweed	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Hongkong
Undaunted	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Capt. A. Schomberg	Hongkong
Victorious	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Comdr. W. P. Dawson	Hongkong
Waterwitch	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. I. P. Barton	Hongkong
Whiting	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000	Lieut. Com. H. D. S. Watson	Hongkong
Woodcock	despatch-vessel	1140	8	2000		Shanghai

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Frundsberg	Austrian corvette	1400	8	800	Capt. L. von Zeigler	Singapore
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journe	Saigon
Bayard	French gunboat	600	12	4500	Captain Journe	Saigon
Carvain	French gunboat	400	4	8500	Lieut. Schwerner	Saigon
Desaix	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Capt. Philibert	Fouchow
Duguay-Trouin	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Capt. Philibert	Kwongchowwan
Edouard	French gunboat	1688	8	2050	Capt. Torier	Taku
Joan Bart	French gunboat	470	3	450	Captain Thomsen	Kwongchow uwan
Leon	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Capt. Amet	Shanghai
Paual	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Capt. de Bréville	Shanghai
Surprise	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Captain de Plessis	Saigon
Vauban	French gunboat	3600	11	4399	Captain Boulet	Kwongchow uwan
Arcous	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Becker	Shanghai
Corcoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Capt. Brunsen	Shanghai
Deutschland	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Capt. Muller	Hongkong
Gesdon	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Capt. Muller	Hongkong
Irene	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Commodore de Bois	Hongkong
Kaiser	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Stuebner	Hongkong
Kaiserin Augusta	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Koenner	Hongkong
Merve	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Capt. Metten	Shanghai
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Truppel	Shanghai
Matteo Polo	Italian cruiser	1487	7	800	Captain Invernizzi	Nagasaki
Liberal	Portuguese gunboat	400	3	400	Comdr. Carvalhos e Athayde	Macao
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Molas	Port Arthur
Albatross	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Parengo	Port Arthur
Bobri	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Bozman	Port Arthur
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Capt. Witthoff	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Capt. Serobrennikoff	Port Arthur
Gromozdny	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Capt. Rudneff	Taku
Korvetz	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Silman	Nagasaki
Mandchur	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Commodore Kachaloff	Chumoulo
Navarin	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Feniche	Nagasaki
Ostryj	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Copernick	Nagasaki
Painat Azova	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Virenius	Nagasaki
Rosin	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Demidoff	Nagasaki
Rurik	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Comdr. Goupp	Nagasaki
Silash	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Barranoff	Port Arthur
Sissel Veliky	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Barranoff	Port Arthur
Stroch	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Nielsen	Port Arthur
Vladimir Monomach	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Captain Prince Onchomsky	Port Arthur
Vladimir	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Capt. Rogulja	Port Arthur
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	600	10	9000	Commodore Komaroff	Port Arthur
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Concord	U. S. cruiser	3900	10	10,000	Com. A. Walker	Manila
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Memphis	U. S. cruiser	3900	10	10,000	Capt. Becknell	Manila
Montevideo	U. S. cruiser	3900	10	10,000	Comdr. E. H. O. Lester	Manila
Monmouth	U. S. cruiser	3900	10	10,000	Capt. W. H. Whiting	Manila
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Swatow							
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